

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate will now resume legislative session.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, here is where we are.

The Senate will next meet for a pro forma session on Monday. That is the 24th. The next scheduled session will be on the 27th of December.

As I said earlier today when we opened, I am glad that productive discussions are continuing. When these negotiations produce a solution that is acceptable to all parties, which means 60 votes in the Senate, a majority in the House, and a Presidential signature, at that point, we will take it up on the Senate floor.

Senators will be notified when a vote is scheduled and, in the meantime, the discussions and negotiations continue.

ORDERS FOR MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2018

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn to then convene for a pro forma session on Monday, December 24, at 11 a.m.; I further ask that when the Senate adjourns on Monday, December 24, it next convene at 4 p.m., on Thursday, December 27; that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and morning business be closed; finally, that following leader remarks, the Senate resume consideration of the House message to accompany H.R. 695 under the previous order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2018, AT 11 A.M.

Mr. McCONNELL. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 3:17 p.m., adjourned until Monday, December 24, 2018, at 11 a.m.

DISCHARGED NOMINATIONS

The Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of the following nominations by unanimous consent and the nominations were confirmed:

COAST GUARD NOMINATION OF DOUGLAS M. SALIK, TO BE COMMANDER.

COAST GUARD NOMINATION OF REAR ADM. MATTHEW W. SIBLEY, TO BE REAR ADMIRAL (LOWER HALF).

COAST GUARD NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH ANNA W. HICKEY AND ENDING WITH VICTORIA C. FUTCH, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON NOVEMBER 14, 2018.

COAST GUARD NOMINATION OF ADAM R. WILLIAMSON, TO BE COMMANDER.

COAST GUARD NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH MARC C. DEVEREAUX AND ENDING WITH CRAIG L. WENNET, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON NOVEMBER 26, 2018.

COAST GUARD NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH GRETCHEN M. BAILEY AND ENDING WITH ANDREW J. WRIGHT, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON NOVEMBER 26, 2018.

The Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of the following nominations by unanimous consent and the nominations were confirmed.

COAST GUARD NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH AUSTIN L. ADCOCK AND ENDING WITH DAVID J. YADRICK, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON DECEMBER 19, 2018.

COAST GUARD NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH JUSTIN P. AARONSON AND ENDING WITH JAMES B. ZORN, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON DECEMBER 19, 2018.

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate December 22, 2018:

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be brigadier general

COL. DAVID W. ABBA
COL. CHRISTOPHER R. AMRHEIN
COL. CHARLES D. BOLTON
COL. LARRY R. BROADWELL, JR.
COL. TERRY L. BULLARD
COL. SCOTT A. CAIN
COL. JIMMY R. CANLAS
COL. JULIAN C. CHEATER
COL. ROY W. COLLINS
COL. COLIN J. CONNOR
COL. DONALD J. COTHERN
COL. DAVID S. EAGLIN
COL. STEVEN G. EDWARDS
COL. TROY L. ENDICOTT
COL. GREGORY J. GAGNON
COL. RICHARD W. GIBBS
COL. JENNIFER L. GRANT
COL. STEWART A. HAMMONS
COL. ROBERT S. JOBE
COL. JOHN M. KLEIN, JR.
COL. GREGORY KREUDER
COL. BENJAMIN R. MAITRE
COL. MATTEO G. MARTEMUCCI
COL. CAROLINE M. MILLER
COL. DAVID A. MINEAU
COL. PAUL J. MURRAY
COL. TY W. NEUMAN
COL. JOHN P. NEWBERRY
COL. JEFFERSON J. O'DONNELL
COL. THOMAS B. PALENSKE
COL. EVAN L. PETTUS
COL. CHRISTOPHER S. POVAK
COL. BRADLEY L. PYBURN
COL. CHAD D. RADUEGE
COL. MICHAEL T. RAWLS
COL. RYAN R. SAMUELSON
COL. DAVID J. SANFORD
COL. DAVID G. SHOEMAKER
COL. REBECCA J. SONKISS
COL. CLAUDE K. TUDOR, JR.
COL. DANIEL H. TULLEY
COL. JEFFERY D. VALENZIA
COL. JOHN C. WALKER
COL. STEVEN P. WHITNEY

IN THE MARINE CORPS

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be major general

BRIG. GEN. BRADLEY S. JAMES

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be lieutenant general

MAJ. GEN. DUKE Z. RICHARDSON

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be brigadier general

COL. KEVIN D. ADMIRAL

COL. TIMOTHY D. BROWN
COL. JOSHUA M. RUDD
COL. PAUL T. STANTON

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be lieutenant general

MAJ. GEN. TERRY R. FERRELL

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be brigadier general

COL. TIMOTHY D. CONNELLY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be brigadier general

COL. GERALD R. KRIMBILL

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be brigadier general

COL. STACY M. BABCOCK

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be lieutenant general

LT. GEN. ERIC J. WESLEY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be lieutenant general

MAJ. GEN. ANDREW P. POPPAS

IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be vice admiral

REAR ADM. ROBERT D. SHARP

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be general

LT. GEN. RICHARD D. CLARKE

IN THE MARINE CORPS

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be general

LT. GEN. KENNETH F. MCKENZIE, JR.

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12212:

To be brigadier general

COL. SCOTT C. BRIDGERS
COL. THOMAS D. CRIMMINS
COL. THOMAS B. HATLEY
COL. SCOTT A. HOWARD
COL. PATRICK M. KENNEDY
COL. ROBERT G. KILGORE
COL. WILLIAM A. KINNISON, JR.
COL. TERRENCE L. KOUDIELKA, JR.
COL. KERRY R. LOVELY
COL. BRIAN T. MCHENRY
COL. BARBARA C. MORROW
COL. DUKE M. OTA, JR.
COL. LOUIS J. PERINO
COL. ERIK A. PETERSON
COL. TROY E. POU
COL. MICHAEL L. REID
COL. JOHN P. RUSSO
COL. TORRENCE W. SAXE
COL. DAVID A. SMITH
COL. THOMAS M. SUELLER
COL. TAISON K. TANAKA
COL. JUSTIN R. WALRATH

THE FOLLOWING NAMED AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12212:

To be major general

BRIG. GEN. JOHN D. CAINE
BRIG. GEN. LARRY K. CLARK
BRIG. GEN. SEAN T. COLLINS